

REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the non-final Office Action dated November 3, 2004. Claims 1-42 stand subject to a restriction requirement.

Election of Invention

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicant elects Group II, pending claims 11-29 and 33-42.

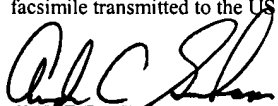
Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-10 and 30-32 corresponding to Group I are canceled herein, without prejudice to the subject matter disclosed therein, for potential re-presentation in this or one or more continuing applications.

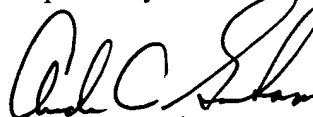
New dependent claims 43 and 44 are added to better protect the invention. Both are believed to fall within Group II because of their dependence from Group II claims. Each is well supported by the application as filed, and none adds new matter.

Summary

Claims 11-29 and 33-44 are in the case. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested. All claims are believed to be allowable over the art of record, and a Notice of Allowance to that effect is respectfully solicited.

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